

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-18 (canceled)

Claim 19 (currently amended): A print-ordering system comprising:

print-control means ~~which transfers~~for transferring image data to a print system, where the image data is transmitted from a user terminal via a network, and notifies the print system of image-processing mode of the image data and makes the print system execute print processing;

image-processing means ~~which performs~~for performing image processing for one or more images used for selecting the image-processing mode;

selection-inquiry means ~~that transmits for inquiring about which of a sample image stored in an image database in advance and the image data transmitted from the user terminal the user wants to select as an image-processing-mode-selection image, transmitting an the image-processing-mode-selection image to the user terminal, and that receives~~receiving information about a result of selection made by ~~a the~~ user from among the image-processing-mode-selection image; and

selection-result-storing means ~~which stores for storing~~ the selection-result information;
and
a printer for executing print processing in the image-processing mode,

wherein the print-control means determines the image-processing mode of which the print system is notified based on the selection-result information stored in the selection-result-storing means.

Claim 20 (currently amended): A print-ordering system according to Claim 19, wherein the image-processing means performs multilevel-image processing for the image-processing mode and the selection-inquiry means transmits at least two image-processing-mode-selection images obtained by performing a multilevel-image processing to the user terminal so

that the user makes selection, wherein each of the at least two image-processing-mode-selection images represents a different level of image processing of the image-processing mode.

Claim 21 (currently amended): A print-ordering system according to Claim 19, wherein the image-processing means performs the image processing for any one of ~~a~~the sample image stored in ~~an~~the image database in advance or the image data transmitted from the user terminal.

Claim 22 (currently amended): A print-ordering system according to Claim ~~21~~19, further comprising means ~~adapted to make an inquiry about which of the sample image and the image data of the user the user wants to select, as the image-processing-mode-selection image, via the user terminal;~~ wherein the image-processing-mode-selection image is selected and the image processing is performed according to information about a result of the selection made by the user for the inquiry.

Claim 23 (currently amended): A print-ordering system according to Claim 19, further comprising means ~~adapted to ask for~~asking the user about a type of the image-processing mode in which the image-processing means performs the image processing via the user terminal, wherein the type of the image-processing mode is determined according to a result of selection made by the user for the inquiry.

Claim 24 (previously presented): A print-ordering system according to Claim 19, wherein the image-processing mode includes at least one of outline emphasis, hue, color density, gradation, and contrast.

Claim 25 (currently amended): A print-ordering method comprising:
transferring image data to a print system, where the image data is transmitted from a user terminal via a network, and the print system is notified of image-processing mode of the image data and the print system is made to execute print processing;

performing image processing for an image used for selecting the image-processing mode;

inquiring about which of a sample image stored in an image database in advance and the image data transmitted from the user terminal the user wants to select as an image-processing-mode-selection image;

transmitting ~~an~~ the image-processing-mode-selection image to the user terminal and receiving information about a result of selection made by ~~a~~ the user from among the image-processing-mode-selection image; and

storing the selection-result information in selection-result-storing means,

wherein, the image-processing mode of which the print system is notified is determined based on the selection-result information stored in the selection-result-storing means.

Claim 26 (currently amended): A print-ordering method according to Claim 25, wherein, multilevel-image processing for the image-processing mode is performed, and at least two image-processing-mode-selection images obtained by performing the multilevel-image processing are transmitted to the user terminal so that the user makes selection, wherein each of the at least two image-processing-mode-selection images represents a different level of image processing of the image-processing mode.

Claim 27 (currently amended): A print-ordering method according to Claim 25, wherein the image processing is performed for any one of ~~a~~ the sample image stored in an image database in advance and the image data transmitted from the user terminal.

Claim 28 (currently amended): A print-ordering method according to Claim ~~25~~ 27, further comprising making an inquiry about which of the sample image and the image data of the user ~~the user wants to select, as the image-processing-mode-selection image, via the user terminal,~~ wherein the image-processing-mode-selection image is selected and the image processing is performed according to information about a result of the selection made by the user for the inquiry.

Claim 29 (previously presented): A print-ordering method according to Claim 25, further comprising asking the user about a type of the image-processing mode in which the

image processing is performed via the user terminal, wherein the type of the image-processing mode is determined according to a result of selection made by the user for the inquiry.

Claim 30 (previously presented): A print-ordering method according to Claim 25, wherein the image-processing mode includes at least one of outline emphasis, hue, color density, gradation, and contrast.

Claim 31 (currently amended): ~~A program that is computer readable and adapted to control a print-ordering system which produces a print of a print-order image stored in a user terminal by using a print system, the program comprising:~~ A computer readable medium storing a program for controlling a print-ordering system which produces a print of a print-order image stored in a user terminal by using a print system, said computer readable program structured to cause an apparatus to:

~~a print-control step adapted to transfer image data to a print system, where the image data is transmitted from a user terminal via a network, and the print system is notified of image-processing mode of the image data and the print system is made to execute print processing;~~

~~an image-processing step adapted to perform image processing for an image used for selecting the image-processing mode;~~

~~a selection-inquiry step adapted to inquire about which of a sample image stored in an image database in advance and the image data transmitted from the user terminal the user wants to select as an image-processing-mode-selection image,~~

~~transmit the image-processing-mode-selection image to the user terminal, and receive information about a result of selection made by a the user from among the image-processing-mode-selection image; and~~

~~a selection-result storing step adapted to store the selection-result information in selection-result-storing means,~~

~~wherein, at the print-control step, the image-processing mode of which the print system is notified is determined on the basis of the selection-result information stored in the selection-result-storing means.~~

Claim 32 (currently amended): A computer readable medium storing a program A program—according to Claim 31, wherein, ~~at the image-processing step,~~ multilevel-image processing for the image-processing mode is performed, and ~~at the selection-inquiry step,~~ at least two image-processing-mode-selection images obtained by performing the multilevel-image processing are transmitted to the user terminal so that the user makes selection, wherein each of the at least two image-processing-mode-selection images represents a different level of image processing of the image-processing mode.

Claim 33 (currently amended): A computer readable medium storing a program A program—according to Claim 31, wherein, ~~at the image-processing step,~~ the image processing is performed for either a ~~the~~ sample image stored in an image database in advance or the image data transmitted from the user terminal.

Claim 34 (currently amended): A computer readable medium storing a program A program—according to Claim ~~31~~33, ~~further comprising the step of making an inquiry about which of the sample image and the image data of the user the user wants to select, as the image-processing-mode-selection image, via the user terminal,~~ wherein the image-processing-mode-selection image is selected and the image processing is performed according to information about a result of the selection made by the user for the inquiry.

Claim 35 (currently amended): A computer readable medium storing a program A program—according to Claim 31, ~~further comprising the step of asking structured to cause an apparatus to ask~~ the user about a type of the image-processing mode in which the image processing is performed ~~at the image-processing step~~ via the user terminal, wherein the type of the image-processing mode is determined according to a result of selection made by the user for the inquiry.

Claim 36 (currently amended): A computer readable medium storing a program A program—according to Claim 31, wherein the image-processing mode includes at least one of outline emphasis, hue, color density, gradation, and contrast.